

Testimony was heard from Representatives Pallone and Franks of New Jersey; D.K. Sharma, Administrator, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

#### ACADEMIC EARMARKS

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Continued hearings on Academic Earmarks, Part III. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### DOE HEALTH AND SAFETY STRATEGY

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing on Department of Energy Health and Safety Strategy. Testimony was heard from Tara O'Toole, Assistant Secretary, Environment, Safety and Health, Department of Energy; John T. Conway, Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board; Jim Wells, Associate Director, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; and a public witness.

#### INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Technology, Environment and Aviation held a hearing on International Standards and U.S. Exports: The Key to Competitiveness or Barriers to Trade? Testimony was heard from Belinda Collins, Director, Office of Standards Services, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; Richard G. Meier, Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for GATT Affairs; Karl Hausker, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, EPA; and public witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

#### APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

*Conferees* continued in closed session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4650, making appropriations for fiscal year 1995 for the Department of Defense, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

#### APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4602, making appropriations for fiscal year 1995 for the Department of the Interior and related agencies.

#### APPROPRIATIONS—TRANSPORTATION

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4556, making appropriations for fiscal year 1995 for the Department of Transportation and related agencies.

#### AUTHORIZATION—ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

*Conferees* continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 6, authorizing funds for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

#### AUTHORIZATION—INTELLIGENCE

*Conferees* agreed to file a conference report on the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 4299, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1995 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System.

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Friday, September 23, 1994

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### Routine Proceedings

Proceedings that occurred on Friday, September 23, 1994, may be found in Congressional Record of Thursday, September 22, 1994.

### Committee Meetings

#### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2132, to authorize funds for programs of the Federal Railroad Safety Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the bill authorizes \$68,289,000 for fiscal year 1995, \$75,112,000 for fiscal year 1996, \$82,563,000 for fiscal year 1997 and \$90,739,000 for fiscal year 1998);

S. 2002, to authorize funds for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the bill authorizes \$1.25 billion for fiscal year 1995 and \$1.26 billion for fiscal year 1996 for Title I, AMTRAK, and \$30 million for fiscal years 1995, 1996 and 1997 for Title II, Local Rail Freight Assistance);

S. 2101, to provide for the establishment of mandatory State-operated comprehensive one-call systems to protect all underground facilities from being damaged by any excavations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 4489, to provide new policy direction for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2344, to authorize funds for fiscal years 1995 through 1999 for the National Science Foundation, with an amendment;

S. 1537, to improve the use of Federal laboratories in the commercialization of technology and advance American international competitiveness, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2455, to establish a system of licensing, reporting, and regulation for vessels of the United States fishing on the high seas;

S. 1991, to provide for the safety of journeyman boxers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2414, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue temporary certificates of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessels *Idun Viking*, *Liv Viking*, and *Freja Viking*;

S. 2447, to authorize a certificate of documentation for the vessel *Lady Hawk*; and

The nominations of Gus A. Owen, of California, to be a Member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Thomas R. Carper, of Delaware, and Celeste Pinto McLain, of California, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK), Anthony S. Earl, of Wisconsin, and Vincent J. Sorrentino, of New York, each to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, a list of officers in the United States Coast Guard for appointment to the grade of rear admiral, and a routine list in the United States Coast Guard.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The nomination of Kenneth W. Kizer, of California, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs;

S. 2094, to make permanent the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to approve basic educational assistance for flight training;

S. 2325, to authorize funds for programs relating to substance abuse and homeless assistance for veterans, with an amendment; and

S. 2330, to provide that undiagnosed illnesses constitute diseases for purposes of entitlement of veterans to disability compensation for service-connected diseases, with amendments.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 15 public bills, H.R. 5084–5098; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 414, H. Con. Res. 296, and H. Res. 545–546 were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 542, providing for consideration of H.R. 4008, to authorize appropriations for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for fiscal years 1994 and 1995 (H. Rept. 103–742);

H. Res. 543, providing for consideration of H.R. 4926, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to identify foreign countries which may be denying national treatment to United States banking organizations and to assess whether any such denial may be having a significant adverse effect on such organizations, and to require Federal banking agencies to take such assessments into account in considering applications by foreign banks under the International Banking Act of 1978 and the Bank Holding company Act of 1956 (H. Rept. 103–743); and

H. Res. 544, providing for consideration of H.R. 3171, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to reorganize the Department of Agriculture (H. Rept. 103–744); and

H.R. 3392, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to assure the safety of public water systems, amended (H. Rept. 103–745, Pt. I).

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**Agriculture Appropriations:** By a recorded vote of 287 ayes to 107 noes, Roll No. 438 the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 4554, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995.

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House receded in its disagreement and concurred in Senate amendments numbered 5, 18, 24, 29, 58, 83, 95, 96, and 101.

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House receded in its disagreement and concurred, with amendment, in Senate amendments, numbered 11, 15, 25, 26, 32, 33, 34, 37, 41, 42, 57, 70, 75, 76, 84, 89, 91, 94, 98, 100, and 102—clearing the measure for Senate action.

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**Technical Corrections:** House agreed to the Senate amendment to H. Con. Res. 285, directing the Secretary of the Senate to make technical corrections in the enrollment of S. 2182—clearing the measure.

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**Legislative Program:** The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of September 26, Agreed to adjourn from Friday to Monday.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of September 28.

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**Recess:** House recessed at 1:11 p.m. and reconvened at 3:49 p.m.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 25551. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### NOAA AUTHORIZATION ACT

**Committee on Rules:** By a recorded vote of 4 to 3, granted an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4008, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Authorization Act of 1994. All points of order are waived against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of H.R. 5046 as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The substitute will be considered by title instead of by section with each title considered as read. All points of order are waived against the substitute. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Studds and Representative Ortiz.

### NATIONAL TREATMENT IN BANKING ACT

**Committee on Rules:** Granted an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 4926, National Treatment in Banking Act of 1994. The rule makes in order the Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Gonzalez and Representative Schumer.

### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE REORGANIZATION ACT

**Committee on Agriculture:** By a recorded vote of 5 to 2, granted an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3171, Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994. All points of order are waived against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order the Agriculture Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order are waived against the substitute. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

## Joint Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

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### AUTHORIZATION—ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

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*Monday, September 26, 1994*

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages 25582–25635*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2460–2462, and S. Res. 268.

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**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows:

S. 2036, to specify the terms of contracts entered into by the United States and Indian tribal organizations under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 103–374)

S. 2156, to provide for the elimination and modification of reports by Federal departments and agencies to the Congress, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 103–375)

S. 1786, to increase the authorization of appropriations for the Belle Fourche Irrigation Project, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 103–376)

S. 1988, to authorize the transfer of a certain loan contract to the Upper Yampa Water Conservancy Project, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 103–377)

S. 2066, to expand the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply Project, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 103–378)

S. 2124, to provide development of power at the Mancos Project. (S. Rept. No. 103–379)

S. 2213, to make applicable the provisions of the Act commonly known as the "Warren Act" to the Central Utah Project, Utah, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 103–380)

S. 2253, to modify the Mountain Park Project in Oklahoma, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 103–381)